Introduced by Assembly Member Krekorian

February 23, 2007

An act to add Section 13015 to the Penal Code, relating to crime statistics.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1394, as introduced, Krekorian. Crime statistics: intellectual property crimes: gangs.

Existing law requires the Department of Justice to collect, analyze, and annually report to the Governor on certain aspects of criminal statistics. Existing law also makes a crime to commit forgery or to counterfeit goods, as specified, and to violate certain intellectual property rights, as specified.

This bill would require the Department of Justice to collect and analyze statistics relating to crimes against intellectual property rights, forgery, and counterfeiting, as specified, and determine whether there is a relationship between those crimes and organized criminal enterprises. The department would be required to report its findings to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2008.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 13015 is added to the Penal Code, to
- 2 read:

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1 13015. The department shall collect and analyze data pertaining 2 to crimes against intellectual property rights, including, but not 3 limited to, violations of Sections 653h, 653s, 653u, and 653w, or 4 crimes of forgery and counterfeiting as described in Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 470) of Title 13 of Part 1, to determine 5 whether there is a relationship between the commission of those 6 crimes and the proliferation of organized criminal enterprises, 8 including criminal street gangs. On or before January 1, 2008, the department shall report its findings to the Legislature and shall detail in the report the type and extent of relationship, whether the 10 11 crimes are used to fund organized crime, and how existing law may be changed and state resources may be used to address the 12 13 problem.